## **National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week**

In observance of National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week, the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) is hosting an educational outreach event for area families, designed to raise awareness of the dangers of lead-based paint exposure and childhood lead poisoning. The State of Tennessee's Lead Hazard Program will join the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), HUD and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in a week-long call to action to end childhood lead poisoning. Outreach events will be held across the country to spread awareness around this debilitating, yet preventable, medical condition. Funded by the EPA, the events will provide free information about the danger of exposure to lead and how parents can prevent their children from being exposed to lead. This year's National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week theme, "Lead-Free Kids for a Healthy Future," will focus on the importance of the many ways parents can reduce a child's exposure to lead and prevent its serious health effects. The Tennessee 2015 National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week event will be held October 27<sup>th</sup> from 10 am until 2 pm at the Tennessee Tower Plaza. Families will be treated to hot dogs and other treats, as well as promotional and health items. Entertainment will be provided by volunteer music groups from TDEC and the Tennessee Department of Transportation.

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